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Commissioner for Patents Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a three-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the outstanding Final Office Action mailed May 20, 2009, said period of response being extended from August 20, 2009 to November 20, 2009.

Please charge Deposit Account No. 50-1778 the amount of \$1,110.00 to cover the required extension fee for a large entity.

Date

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